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To-day's
Advertisement.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 445.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 1st day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 1st day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of CROWN LAND, at Pencival Street, East Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1622]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements		Commiss.	Per cent.	Per cent.
		W.	E.			
Linked Lot	Pencival Street, East Point	1.20	0.00	1.14	1.14	1.14
		0.00	1.20	1.14	1.14	1.14
		0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 1st November, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1623]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

INTERPORT MATCH.

THERE will be practice on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY AFTERNOONS.

All Shooting Members are requested to turn up to these PRACTICES, and send their Scores to the Undersecretary.

RIFLES—Which must be returned after each Practice—may be obtained on application to the N.C.O. in charge of Store, West Yorks Matched, near the Range.

A. CHAPMAN,
Acting Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1624]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"WUHU."

Captain Benson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1625]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

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FOR CHEFOO AND TIENSIN.

THE Company's Steamship

"KAIFONG."

Captain Wright, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1626]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"NANYANG."

Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1627]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND

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(Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to JAVA PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMAGUCHI MARU."

Captain S. Kawamura, will be despatched as above Ports on TUESDAY, the 2nd November, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1897. [64-1628]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

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"NEW YORK."

Peabody, Master, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME & CO.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1897. [64-1629]

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &

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SIMPLY AERATED WATER.

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1897. [64-1630]

Intimation.

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BY APPOINTMENT.

WINES & SPIRITS.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1897.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

LOSSES AT THE CAPTURE OF DARGAI.

LONDON, October 22nd.

The casualties on the British side at the capture of Dargai amounted to one hundred and sixty three. Capt. Judge, of the Gurkhas, Capt. Smith, of the Derbyshires, and Lieut. Lamont, of the Gordon Highlanders, were killed. Major MacLean, Lieut. Dingwall, of the Gordon Highlanders, Capt. Robinson, of the Gurkhas, Capt. Arnold of the Dorsetshires and Lieut. White, of the Sikhs, were wounded.

THE WEST COAST OF AFRICA.

The War Office is sending thirty-five specially trained non-commissioned officers to the Gold Coast and Lagos to train new regiments numbering 2,000, which are being raised.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PARLIAMENT RE-ASSEMBLED on Saturday.

THE IRONS has gone out for a short cruise.

The buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.30 per £.

The Japanese battleship Fuso left here yesterday for Nagasaki.

The finding of the Marine Court of Enquiry into the wreck of the Namao, with the President's rider, is published in the Gazette.

The P. & O. steamer Rosita will take the place of the Verona on the Co.'s Hongkong-Japan, leaving here for Nagasaki-Kobe and Yokohama on the 5th proximo.

Baron von der Decken, Commander of the Aviatic cruiser Panther, was received at Government House by His Excellency the Governor at 2.15 to-day.

H.M.S. Centurion is now on her way to Amoy from Nagasaki. The Linnet leaves Foochow on the 28th for Hongkong, and the Archer is expected here shortly from Nagasaki.

FOURTEEN gamblers were brought before the Magistrate this morning as the result of a raid by Inspector Hennessy. The two principals were fined \$50 each and the others \$5 each.

A CARPENTER employed in the Cosmopolitan Dock was sent to gaol for a month to-day for stealing two pieces of brass from the Company. The Indian watchman at the docks, on searching the prisoner when he was leaving work, found a sum given forward to Singapore at 2/14 cents, but there seems no disposition, at present, for fresh ventures. There prevails a small demand for Japan at 2/1/2 cents for a small sized boat. Rates to Java have given way, the requirements of that market being overfilled, and are nominal at 1/17 1/2 cents.

BRANDY.

Mr. H. May (Captain Superintendent of Police), Bowdler charged a Chinese lad at the Police Court to-day with removing stones from within the sphere of his residence in the Peak.

The complainant, in answer to the Magistrate, said that the stones were taken from a place just outside the entrance to his residence but it was not fenced. A fine of \$5 was inflicted.

It is notified in Saturday's Gazette that under instructions from the Secretary of State, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Robert Daly Ormsby to be Director of Public Works, to whom all communications in connection with the Praia Reclamation Works should be addressed in future. It is also notified that His Excellency has approved the appointment of Mr. Ormsby to the Legislative Council provisionally and subject to Her Majesty's approval. The appointment of the new Director of Public Works to be Chairman of the Wong-sel-cheng Recreation Ground Committee and to be the Water Authority, is gazetted.

SCOTCH.—

A HENNESSY'S OLD PALE RED Capo. \$18.00 \$1.50

B CURRIE'S VERY OLD COGNAC, Red Capo. 21.00 1.75

C VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, Red Capo. 24.00 2.00

V.O. D HENNESSY'S FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1873 Vintage, Red Capo. 36.00 3.00

V.V.O. & FINEST VERY OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, 1862 Vintage 48.00 4.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.

D THORN'S BLEND, White Capo. \$10.80 \$0.90

B WATSON'S GLENROYAL MILD BLEND, Blue Capo, with Name and Trade Mark. 10.80 0.90

C WATSON'S ALEXLOW-GLENLIVET, Red Capo, with Name and Trade Mark 12.00 1.00

D WATSON'S H. K.D. BLEND OF THE FINEST SCOTCH MALT WHISKIES, Violet Capo. 14.40 1.20

E WATSON'S OLD LIQUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY, Gold Capo. 15.00 1.25

DANIEL CRAWFORD'S FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY. 14.40 1.20

SCOTCH.—

A THORN'S BLEND, White Capo. \$10.80 \$0.90

B JOHN JAMESON'S FINE OLD, Green Capo. 15.00 1.25

C JOHN JAMESON'S VERY FINE OLD, Green Capo. 18.00 \$1.50

All these are very fine and old. C has been stocked in Hongkong in wood for over 20 years, these being little sales for Irish Whisky at the price. D and E are too well known to need comment.

IRISH.—

A JOHN JAMESON'S OLD, Green Capo. \$12.00 \$1.00

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1897.

I have every reason to adhere to my confidence in the resources of Hongkong and its financial soundness. A handsome advance has been secured on the price at present paid for the Opium Farm, and I wish I could look forward with equal certainty to a rise in the sterling value of the dollar.

As regards the events of the year, with one exception to which I shall refer later, there is but little to record. The Capital Superintendent of Police reports a period of comparative peace. There are, however, two noteworthy items of "Police news" to which I may refer. The first is the placing of District Watchmen on Police beats under the supervision of Europeans between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., thus re-inforcing the Police by forty auxiliaries of a very useful stamp.

The arrangement has so far worked satisfactorily, and it is hoped that the additional protection it affords will tend to reduce the number of armed gang robberies, which are only too frequent in the winter months. The other innovation is the withdrawal of the Night and Light Regulations. Night Passes were first introduced in 1857, when, no doubt, good reasons existed for such a stringent measure. In this present year of grace, however, such restrictions cannot but be regarded as a relic of a barbarous past and inconsistent, in these enlightened times, with the liberty of the subject. Results have justified the repeal of these regulations, and I am sure the relief has been fully appreciated by the respectable Chinese.

And here, I must refer with great regret to the grave irregularities which have recently been shown to exist in the Police Force and in other Departments of the Government Services amongst the subordinate officers. You are aware of the action taken by the Government in this matter, and I trust that whilst you have given practical effect to the former, I have not failed in my fulfilment of the latter. (Applause.)

It remains to mention one other event of great importance to the trade of this Colony, viz., the opening of the West River ports to Foreign trade on the 3rd June last. You will recollect that in my address to you of the 23rd November, 1895, I assured you that although for a time, at least, local interests might necessarily be postponed in favour of purely Imperial interests, this question had by no means lost sight of.

The result has proved that I was justified in making that statement, and it affords me much pleasure to have witnessed before my departure the accomplishment of this object. When communication has been satisfactorily established between Hongkong and the West River ports, this Colony will, doubtless, share to the fullest extent in the harbour to be reaped from these additional fields for commercial enterprise.

As regards the Public Health, I can give you an exceptionally favourable report, which may, to some extent, compensate for the large amount of Sanitary Legislation which has of late years fallen upon us. There have been only 17 cases of plague during the year, several of which are said to have been imported from the mainland. This is very satisfactory when it is remembered that the disease was prevalent in the neighbouring ports of Amoy and Swatow, and in the island of Formosa for several months. The comparative immunity from plague enjoyed by Hongkong during 1897, can be due to improved sanitary condition of the Colonies and the increased vigilance of the Sanitary Board.

The death rate of the British and Foreign community for the first 9 months of the year is 21.5 per thousand as compared with 23.6 for the corresponding period of 1895, whilst the death rate amongst the Chinese community for the like period has been reduced from 26.9 per 1,000 to 18.9 per 1,000. This represents an annual saving of nearly 3,000 Chinese lives and about 17 European.

The main drainage has been, practically, completely re-modelled. Thirty-six miles of sewers have been laid, not including the drains constructed in connection with the re-drainage of houses, which would nearly double those figures. I am informed that Victoria may now be regarded as one of the best drained cities east of Suez, and that its domestic sanitation will compare favourably with that of any of the large cities in England.

Eye-was have been made for the compulsory clearing of ground floors in dwellings, for the prevention of overcrowding, for the regulation of back-houses, laundries, opium-smoking dens, offensive trades, and animal depots, for the regular periodical cleaning of tenement dwellings, and for the notification of communicable diseases, and these are being quietly and steadily enforced.

The New Central Market, the Slaughter-houses and adjoining Cattle Depot's at Kennedy Town and Kowloon, which have an important bearing on the food supply of the Colony, have been completed during my administration, whilst the water supply, which is of vital importance to the health of the community, has been increased to 400,000,000 gallons, and extended to the Kowloon Peninsula, and the populous villages of Shaukiwan and Aberdeen.

The most noticeable feature in the history of Education during my term of office have been—(1) the revision of the Grant-in-Aid Code, in 1893, which added arithmetic to the subjects for which grants should be given to schools giving a purely Chinese education, elementary science in the case of schools giving a European education in the Chinese language, and a seventh standard in all classes of schools. (2) The graduation of two pupils in July, 1894, from the Chinese College of Medicine, being the first two graduates from that Institution. (3) The opening of the Bellies Public School for Girls in December, 1893, for which we have to thank the generosity of an Honorable Member of this Council; and (4) The limitation, in November 1895, of grants-in-aid to schools giving a European education in the English language—a measure which was induced by the very marked deficiency in this respect on the part of the Chinese community resident in the Colony, and the necessity recognised from the experiences of 1894 of providing a more enlightened education. I trust that this policy will be maintained, and that a training institution, which will furnish a supply of qualified teachers and fit place the means of acquiring a useful knowledge of the English language and Western ideas within the reach of the poorer classes of the Chinese community, may be provided. I consider that such expenditure will be incurred in a most important cause, and I commend to the notice of the Council the desirability of increasing the Grant-in-Aid Vote, and of confounding too substitutive subsidised schools for the Government schools that still remain in existence.

As regards the attendance at the various educational establishments in the Colony, I regret to say that the school experienced in 1894, on account of the plague, had been more permanent in its results than was originally anticipated, and recovery has been further impeded by its recurrence in 1895. I hope that, given favourable circumstances, the progress in this direction will be as noticeable during the first three years of my term of office, may again make itself evident at an early date, and that education will receive that support which is so fully deserved.

The shipping returns, though not attaining to the figures of 1895, are, nevertheless, quite satisfactory. During the nine months ended on the 30th September, 1897, vessels of European construction aggregating nearly 9,000,000 tons register entered and cleared at the Harbours Office. The increase of shipping under Foreign flags (principally German and Japanese) has been very noticeable, but of less than half the total tonnage, and 55 per cent. of the remaining tonnage alone was British. These ships carried in and through our waters, about 4 million tons of cargo and tonnage, and over 1 million passengers. An eight-hundred-junk followed the Kowloon Wharf-tram, and the steamer do not come up to the mark in the corresponding period of last year.

These figures, however, are not complete, because the fall in the shipping trade, and consequently, and it can be assumed, in the shipping tonnage, which occurred from the beginning of the year to the end of October, has not been taken into account.

THE KOWLOON WHARF TRAMWAY.

The Hon. J. Bell Irving moved the second reading of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company Tramway Bill. The motion was agreed to and the bill was read a third time, taken into Committee with a few verbal amendments and passed.

THE COUNCIL DINE AT THE RIVER.

The Council dined at the River Hill this day week.

THE V. R. C. SMOKER.

The commercial progress of the Colony during the last five years is very marked. The tonnage, which is always a man of less reliable indications, has increased by 2,510,355 tons, whilst the value of the transit trade has improved to the extent of 26,933,783 Haikwan taels, or nearly £1,000,000 sterl. No less remarkable is the development of local industries of which, believing in the policy of independence, I have always been a warm supporter. The establishment of two large kerosene oil depots, leather-dressing and match factories, soap, coal briquette and similar works, the extensions of the Docks, the large Sugar Refineries, the rope and cement works are standing monuments of that development, whilst the spirit of local enterprise is again evident in the recent formation of a Public Company for the establishment of cotton mills in this Colony.

I am particularly gratified at this latest movement. It is nearly four years since I first made the suggestion to you in this Council and promised my co-operation so far as the acquisition of land was concerned. It is nearly two years since I repeated the suggestion and renewed my promise. I trust that whilst you have given practical effect to the former, I have not failed in my fulfilment of the latter. (Applause.)

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My relations with the Chinese community of this Colony have always been of the most cordial nature. I have had no reason to change my earlier-formed impression of their industrious, peaceful, and law-abiding qualities. On the other hand, I have had every reason to adhere to my original promise that they would not in me not only a Governor but also a friend. And if on one or two occasions I have had to disguise my good intentions under the cloak of official authority, I have on such occasions endeavoured to combine firmness with consideration for their feelings and national customs. My object has always been to promote their welfare and secure their best interest.

In proof of the sincerity of these professions, if any such proof is required, I would refer to the concessions granted during the Plague Epidemic of 1894 under circumstances which involved a very large degree of responsibility. I would also mention the support accorded by the Government to the P.D. Fung Kuk, which has enabled that charitable Society to erect a new home, which I opened in person, and to continue its beneficial work under more favourable circumstances. Great improvements also have been effected in the administration and sanitary condition of the Tung Wa Hospital, the benefits of which are already evident and are daily becoming more appreciated by the native community.

Mr. Robinson could not escape the inevitable encore and he was good enough to oblige on this occasion and also when he gave "The Road to Mandalay" in capital style towards the close of the proceedings. The concert solo "The First Kiss" by Mr. Hale, a member of the West Yorkshire band, was a genuine treat, being played throughout in a skillful and expressive manner that a thorough master of the instrument alone can demonstrate to the delight of his audience and perfect satisfaction to himself. An encore was demanded and there were loud calls for "Killarney" and "Mavourneen," but the accomplished musician selected "Sunshine" which was highly appreciated. Mr. Somerton (of the *Daily Press*) is the possessor of a powerful and well trained voice and a knowledge of music that is rapidly placing him, and deservedly so, in the front rank of our amateur musicians and vocalists. He gave a grand rendering of Cowen's famous sea-song "The Admiral's Broom" and later on was equally successful in the "Golden Bar." He has perfect control over his voice and follows the music closely, and is thus able to give full and proper expression to the author's sentiments and flights of fancy. We hope to have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Somerton very often during the concert season which is now in full swing.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1611]

ASTRONIC.

VICTORIA CHAPTER,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1897. [1580]

PRESEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
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A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 29th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
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Hongkong, 22nd October, 1897. [1448]

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Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 9th November.

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1897. [1592]

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